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Dear Henry:

Here is a draft Amendment for discussion at tomorrow's interview. Please note that the only independent claims that are rejected (and that are amended) are claims 1 and 30.

Mario

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PATENT APPLICATION

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 2851**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Masaki KATO et al.

Group Art Unit: 2851

Application No.: 09/828,914

Examiner: H. Nguyen

Filed: April 10, 2001

Docket No.: 109187

For: EXPOSURE APPARATUS, METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THEREOF AND
METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING MICRO DEVICE

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

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Sir:

In reply to the April 15, 2003 Office Action, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and

Remarks.